

**CHAPTER NO. 934**

**SENATE BILL NO. 2951**

**By Dixon, Graves**

**Substituted for: House Bill No. 2814**

**By Pruitt, Langster, Coleman, Bowers, Black, Brown**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, to authorize the issuance of new specialty earmarked license plates to promote organ donation awareness in Tennessee.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

( ) Organ donation awareness;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) Owners or lessees of motor vehicles who are residents of the State of Tennessee, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued an organ donation awareness new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked plates provided for in this section shall contain a logo or other design promoting awareness about the urgent need for organ and tissue donation in Tennessee. Such plates shall be designed in consultation with Tennessee Donor Services and Mid-South Transplant Society.

(c) The funds produced from the sale of such organ donation awareness new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated in accordance with the provisions of § 55-4-215; provided, however, that the funds allocated pursuant to § 55-4-215(a)(1) shall be distributed to the tax-exempt, not-for-profit entity created by the county clerks' association for the purpose of promoting and supporting organ donation in the State of Tennessee to which the voluntary donations provided by Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-601, are paid, the organ procurement organizations for Tennessee. Such funds shall be used to promote awareness about the vital importance of organ and tissue donation in Tennessee.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: May 19, 2004**

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**APPROVED this    day of    2004**

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**PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR**

Pursuant to Article III, Section 18, of the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, the Governor had Senate Bill No. 2951 in his possession longer than ten (10) days; therefore, the bill becomes law without the Governor's signature.